IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (**previously presented**) A tray, comprising a plurality of non-tapered cavities, wherein each non-tapered cavity comprises a rib protruding into the cavity, each cavity is substantially symmetrically open-ended at both ends, said tray and said ribs are constructed of a substantially rigid material, and said tray and said ribs are constructed of a continuous piece of material.
- 2. (canceled)
- 3. **(previously presented)** The tray of claim 1, wherein the non-tapered cavities are of uniform size and shape.
- 4. (**previously presented**) The tray of claim 1, wherein the non-tapered cavities are of a shape selected from the group consisting of: (a) Polygons; (b) Ovular; (c) Circular; and (d) Non-angularly shaped objects.
- 5. (**previously presented**) The tray of claim 1, 3, or 4, wherein each non-tapered cavity comprises a plurality of ribs protruding into the cavity.
- 6. (**original**) The tray of claim 5, wherein the ribs are of uniform size.
- 7. (canceled)
- 8. (original) The tray of claim 5, wherein the ribs are evenly spaced.
- 9. **(previously presented)** The tray of claim 5, wherein the ribs are positioned around the cavity at intervals.
- 10. (**previously presented**) The tray of claim 5, wherein the ribs are longitudinally positioned along the walls of the cavity, parallel to the walls of the cavity.
- 11. **(previously presented)** The tray of claim 10, wherein the ribs extend along the entire length of the walls of the cavity.

Claims 12-24 (canceled)

25. (new) The tray of claim 1, wherein the rib is rectangular.

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